



## TOWN OF ROCKLAND

### Board of Selectmen

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## OPEN SESSION MINUTES of APRIL 16, 2013

### SELECTMEN'S MEETING Tuesday April 16, 2013 @ 7 p.m.

H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM  
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET  
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Selectman Minahan

### MOS

For the victims and families of the Boston Marathon Bombing

**NOTE:** Selectman O'Brien was not present for this meeting

*Chairman Kimball read:*

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#### 1. OPEN FORUM- No Items

### MINUTES

#### 2. Minutes of April 1, 2013

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson Passed 3-0-1(Minahan).

#### 3. Executive Session minutes of April 1, 2013

~MOTION to approve not to be released until all matters are settled by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson Passed 3-0-1(Minahan).

*Chairman:*

Edward F. Kimball

*Vice Chairman:*

Deborah A. O'Brien

*Selectmen:*

Lawrence J. Chaffee

Michael P. Johnson

Lawrence J. Ryan

*Town Administrator:*

Allan R. Chiocca

*Executive Assistant:*

Mary B. Stewart

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **4. State Representative Nyman –Legislative update**

State Representative Nyman provided the BOS with an update on the House Budget proposal and amendments she has offered to the budget. She has requested funding for a salt shed at the Highway Department, erection of a sound barrier along Route 3, and DOT funding for the Studley/Reed's pond dam repair.

Representative Nyman also presented a House Citation to "Bill" Minahan for his years of service to the town of Rockland. Mr. Minahan is not seeking re-election.

### **5. Superior Officers Union –Police Dept. Local 175 Contract -Postponed to next meeting for final version**

### **6. Capital Planning Committee presentation**

Chairman of the CPC Joe Gambon presented a detailed five year plan for capital expenditures for the Town of Rockland. Mr. Gambon outlined the process by which the Committee determines a priority list.

~MOTION to accept and approve the CPC recommendations by Mr. Minahan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

### **7. Meals Tax and Room Tax recommendations**

The BOS discussed possible recommendations to the Finance Committee for monies to be gained, if the local option Meals and Room Tax is accepted at Town Meeting.

~MOTION to recommend monies be dedicated to Capital Planning by Mr. Minahan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **8. Review and approve STM Warrant**

TA Chiocca reviewed the proposed Special Town Meeting articles.

~MOTION to accept and forward to the Finance Committee by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

## **9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

**Rockland American Legion Post 147 solicitation request**

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

**Little League and Softball Parade**

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

**Lions Game Dinner**

Ta Chiocca announced the event has been sold out

**Memorial Day Parade request**

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

**Earth Day clean-up**

TA Chiocca updated the BOS regarding plans for the Rail trail clean-up in conjunction with Earth Day events.

Thanked Mr. Minahan for his years of service.

## **SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS**

*Chairman Kimball read:*

*Comments and opinions expressed by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of all of the BOS and are the opinions and comments of only the individual member.*

**Mr. Johnson**

~His thoughts and prayers go out to the victims and families of the Boston Marathon bombing.

~Thanked Mr. Minahan for his years of service to the Town as a Selectman and as a Finance Committee member. He appreciated all the tasks Bill spearheaded.

~Felt a better candidate's forum should be held before Town Elections.

**Mr. Chaffee**

~Thoughts and prayers to all those effected by the Boston Marathon bombing.

~Brookside area is being repaved and more roads to follow.

~Presented a certificate to Bill Minahan from the BOS.

**Mr. Kimball**

~He attended Candidates Forum

~Enjoyed working with Mr. Minahan and wishes him well.

~Announced Fox News "Ziptrip" will be visiting Rockland on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Mr. Minahan**

~Appalled by the Boston Marathon bombing, and prays for all involved. We are all Bostonians and hopes we find the people responsible.

~Thanked all the members of the BOS and TA for working with him and enjoyed working with each person.

**10. EXECUTIVE SESSION for personnel issue and Negotiations with RITE and AFSCME**

~MOTION to go into Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations with the RITE and AFSCME unions not to reconvene by Mr. Chaffee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

**Open session ended at 8:05 PM**



**Allan R. Chiocca**  
**Town Administrator**



**Deborah A. O'Brien, Vice-Chairman**  
**for the Rockland Board of Selectmen**

*The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.*